

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1.-8. (Canceled).

9.-18. (Canceled).

19-21. (Canceled)

22. (Previously Presented) A modified lupin protein obtained by a process which consists of:

adjusting an aqueous solution or suspension of lupin proteins of native origin having a dry mass content of from 0.1 to 20% to pH 3 to 9,

fractionating the solutions or suspension by centrifugation or ultrafiltration, and
converting the protein solution into a solid form.

23. (Previously Presented) A composition comprising a modified lupin protein according to claim 22, and a fat-soluble active ingredient or colorant, and, optionally, adjuvants and/or excipients.

24. (Previously Presented) A composition as in claim 23 wherein the fat soluble active ingredient or colorant is a carotenoid, a fat soluble vitamin, a triglyceride, an oil soluble UV-A or UV-B filter or a mixture thereof.

25. (Previously Presented) A composition as in claim 24 wherein the carotenoid is α - or β -carotene, 8'-apo- β -carotenal, 8'-apo- β -carotenoic acid ethyl ester, canthaxanthin, astaxanthin, lycopene, lutein, zeaxanthin or crocetin or mixtures thereof.

26. (Previously Presented) A composition as in claim 24 wherein the fat soluble vitamin is Vitamin A, D, E or K.

27. (Previously Presented) A composition as in claim 22 wherein at least one of a mono- di, oligo- or polysaccharide, a triglyceride, a water-soluble anti-oxidant, a fat-soluble anti-oxidant, silicic acid and water is additionally present.

28. (Previously Presented) A composition as in claim 27 wherein the nono- or disaccharide is saccharose, invert sugar, glucose, fructose, lactose or maltose and the composition optionally contains glycerol in addition.

29. (Previously Presented) A composition as in claim 27 wherein the polysaccharide is a starch or a starch hydrolysate and/or the triglyceride is a vegetable oil or fat.

30. (Previously Presented) A composition as in claim 29 wherein the starch hydrolysate is a dextrin or a maltodextrin (in the range of 5-65 dextrose equivalents) or a glucose syrup (in the range of 20-95 dextrose equivalents).

31. (Currently Amended) A composition as in claim ~~22~~23 wherein the amount of modified lupin protein is from about 0.5 to about 60.6 wt.-% and the amount of fat soluble active ingredient or colorant is from about 0.1 to about 80.0 wt.-%.